



Climate change, direct heat exposure, health and well-being in low and middle-income countries

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Abstract:

Climate change and health has been given increasing attention during recent years, largely initiated and triggered by the insightful report by McMichael and colleagues published a decade ago. Until then research on, and analysis of, the impacts of climate change had focussed on environmental change and impacts on ecosystems. Further review of the health aspects and assessment of the contribution of climate change to the global burden of disease has led to a greater understanding of the importance of this issue and the latest report from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) includes a 40-page chapter on 'Human health'. However, very sparse attention is paid to the non-fatal effects of direct heat exposure.

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Resource Description

Exposure :

weather or climate related pathway by which climate change affects health

Temperature

Temperature: Extreme Heat

Geographic Feature:

resource focuses on specific type of geography

None or Unspecified

Geographic Location:

resource focuses on specific location

Global or Unspecified

Health Impact:


specification of health effect or disease related to climate change exposure

Injury, Other Health Impact

Other Health Impact: heat stress

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Population of Concern: A focus of content

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populations at particular risk or vulnerability to climate change impacts

Low Socioeconomic Status, Workers

Resource Type: 

format or standard characteristic of resource

Policy/Opinion

Timescale: 

time period studied

Time Scale Unspecified